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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re Application of

McArthur et al.

Serial No.: 09/610,891

Filed: 6 July 2001

For: NOVEL CANCER-ASSOCIATED  
ANTIGENS AND METHODS OF THEIR  
IDENTIFICATION AND USE

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action mailed 4 June 2002. Attached hereto and herein incorporated by reference is a Petition for Extension of Time for a three-month extension making the due date for response 4 December 2002.

Kindly amend the application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly cancel claims 23 - ~~35~~<sup>34</sup> and substitute therefor new claims ~~36~~<sup>35</sup> - 43.

*Rule 1.126*  
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C)  
-- ~~36~~<sup>35</sup>. A composition for generating an immune response to a prostate tumor-associated antigen, comprising:

a nucleic acid encoding said prostate tumor-associated antigen, wherein when said prostate tumor-associated antigen is expressed, said antigen stimulates a humoral response when provided on a proliferation-incompetent cell in the presence of GM-CSF, and does not stimulate a humoral response when provided in the absence of GM-CSF, wherein said